12th October 1928]

Proposal to extend the irrigation under the Muneru in Nandigama taluk.

* 543 *Q.*—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO : With reference to question No. 1134, dated 4th November 1927, will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) in what stage the proposal to extend the irrigation under the Muneru in Nandigama taluk by constructing a reservoir at Konduru now is ;

(*b*) whether the ryots have promised to pay any contribution towards the cost of construction ; if so, how much ;

(*c*) what net profits are estimated to be realized by Government on the scheme ; and

(*d*) whether the Government propose to push on with the scheme rapidly ?

A.—(*a*) A copy [a] of the latest report of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated 5th October 1928, showing the present stage of the scheme is laid on the table.

(*b*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to paragraph 2 of the Chief Engineer's report, dated 25th March 1927, laid on the table in answer to question No. 1134, on 4th November 1927. The Government have not received any further report in the matter.

(*c*) & (*d*) The Government are unable to say until they receive the final report of the Chief Engineer.

Restoration of Peddinayani tank in Nandigama taluk under the Tank Restoration scheme.

* 544 *Q.*—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether under the Tank Restoration scheme for which a division has been created in Bezwada the restoration of Peddinayani tank in Nandigama taluk which was breached in the cyclone of 1925 will also be taken up ; and

(*b*) whether the ryots have offered any contribution towards the cost of restoration and, if so, what amount ?

A.—(*a*) The proposal to restore the tank has been negatived on the recommendation of the Chief Engineer. The Tank Restoration Scheme division will not therefore take up the work.

(*b*) The ryots at first stated that they would contribute towards the cost of the work ; but when asked by the Executive Engineer to quote a definite figure and execute a formal agreement, they took no action in the matter.

Land Revenue

Introduction of the Land Revenue Bill.

* 545 *Q.*—Mr. C. RAMASOMAYAJULU : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether in view of the recent statement made by Sir Muhammad Habib-ul-lah Sahib Bahadur in the Council of State regarding Land Revenue legislation what steps the Local Government are taking to expedite the passing of the Land Revenue Bill in this Council ?

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